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APPLICATION NUMBER: 50-767

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October 13, 1998

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590)
Center for Drug Evaluation Research
Food and Drug Administration
9201 Corporate Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850



RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

## ORIGINAL NDA SUBMISSION

#### Dear Sir or Madam:

Under the provisions of 21 CFR 314.50, we are submitting a New Drug Application, NDA 50-767, for CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovules (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppositories) indicated for the treatment of bacterial vaginosis. (Please note, the terms "ovule" and "suppository" are used synonomously throughout the document.)

By prior arrangement with the Agency from a teleconference held on 24 August 1998, the archival and review copies of Items 11 and 12 have been included as hard copy.

This application consists of 117 volumes as described in the following outline:

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In conjuction with this New Drug Application, we have submitted a User Fee in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_under User Fee Number 3541.

If you have questions related to this submission, please contact me at (616) 833-8554 or address correspondence to mailstop 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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Nancy J. Busso Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

cc: Christina Chi

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Office of: P.K. Narang, Ph.D., P.C.P. Director, New Drugs Regulatory Affairs

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January 21, 1999

Mark Goldberger, MD
Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic
Drug Products (HFD-590)
Center for Drug Evaluation Research
Food and Drug Administration
9201 Corporate Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

Dear Dr. Goldberger:

As requested by Dr. Leji Shen, statistical reviewer for CLEOCIN Vaginal Ovules, the SAS datasets for this application are enclosed. This information includes the datasets and appropriate documentation for Protocols M/1114/0001, M/1114/0002 and M/1100/0283.

In addition to the electronic version, hard copy has been provided for the directory of the domain datasets, a list and the corresponding definitions of the derived variables by domain dataset and data definition tables for each of the three protocols including an annotated case report form for each study.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this submission, please contact P.K. Narang (616) 833-9896. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

P.K. Narang, Ph.D., F.C.P.

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Desk Copy: Dr. Leji Shen

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March 8, 1999

Dr. Joseph Winfield
Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic
Drug Products (HFD-590)
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9201 Corporate Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850

RE:

NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule

(clindamycin phosphate vaginal

suppository)

**Desk Copy** 

Dear Dr. Winfield:

As requested on 3/2/99, we are providing the following electronic files for your use:

- 1. Disk #1
  - 1. ISS in WORD (file = ISS.doc)
  - 2. ISE in WORD (file = ISE.doc)
  - 3. Main body of Study Report TR 9150-98-002 for Protocol M/1114/0001 in WORD
  - 4. Main body of Study Report TR 9150-97-003 for Protocol M/1100/0283 in WORDPERFECT 5.2. The addendum is also included.

2. Disk #2

1. Main body of Study Report TR 9150-97-001 for Protocol
M/1114/0002 in WORDPERFECT 5.2. The erratum and addendum is
also included.

All disks have been scanned with Dr. Solomon Virus Scan software (7.89) to verify they are free of viruses.

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NDA 50-767 Page 2

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this submission, please contact Carl M. DeJuliis (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh

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cc: Dr. Christina Chi (FDA)

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March 22, 1999

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Center for Drug Evaluation Research
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Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule

(clindamycin phosphate vaginal

suppository)

Amendment
MANUFACTURING SITE FOR DRUG
SUBSTANCE

## Dear Sir/Madam:

In our application for Cleocin Vaginal Ovule, 356h identifies Pharmacia & Upjohn Company Michigan, 40001 and Ph	V. 7000 Portage Road Kalamana
Michigan, 49001 and Pharmacia & Upjohn Ar Puerto Rico, 00612 Phosphate). Item 3.4.2.b of this submission or Caribe, Inc., Arecibo, Puerto Rico, 00612	ecibo, Hwy. No. 2, Km 60.0, Arecibo,
We are submitting this letter with a new 356h	to eliminate the inconsistency between the

original 356h and the original application. For Cleocin Vaginal Ovule, NDA 50-767, the manufacturing site for the drug substance (Clindamycin Phosphate) is Pharmacia and Upjohn Caribe, Inc., Arecibo, Puerto Rico, 00612.

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Sincerely,

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March 24, 1997

Division of Anti-Infective Drug Products HFD-520 Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room 9201 Corporate Boulevard Rockville, MD 20850

Re: CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate)

<u>Protocol Amendment</u> Change in Site

Information Amendment Clinical Study Report



Dear Sir/Madam:

We are amending the above referenced IND to provide information as described in the following outline.

## Item 6 - Protocols

#### Change in Site

Protocol M/1114/0001: Efficacy of Clindamycin Vaginal Ovule (3-day Treatment) vs. Clindamycin Vaginal Cream (7-day Treatment) in Bacterial Vaginosis. (Protocol previously submitted on 10/28/94

1. Investigator:

# **Clinical Study Report**

TR 7215-96-047
Bioavailability of clindamycin in healthy females following administration of either the clindamycin phosphate vaginal ovule or vaginal cream (Protocol M/1114/0003 submitted 12/6/95
pages 4-266

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If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Donald R. Gieseker at (616) 833-8527. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Donald R. Gieseker, Pharm.D. Associate Director

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Associate Director Regulatory Affairs

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# Pharmacia & Upjohn

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May 12, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590)
Center for Drug Evaluation Research
Food and Drug Administration
9201 Corporate Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal

suppository)

Safety Update

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pharmacia and Upjohn would like to submit a Safety Update Report for Cleocin Vaginal Ovule. The NDA for Cleocin Vaginal Ovule was submitted on October 13,1998. Since this submission, no new safety information that affects the contraindications, warning, precautions, and adverse reactions have been noted. Presently for this product, there are no current marketing or on-going studies.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this submission, please contact Carl M. DeJuliis (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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Food and Drug Administration Center for Drugs and Biologic Drug Master File Staff Central Document Room (Room 2-14) 12420 Parklawn Dr. Rockville, MD 20852

Drug Mäster file:

Date of Submission: 21 May 1999

Title of Submission: Type III; Plastic container & applicator device as

Holder/Submitter

Attn: DMF Staff

We hereby authorize the Food and Drug Administration to refer to and incorporate by reference our Drug Master File Number for the Vaginal Suppository Applicator file when requested by:

> Pharmacia & Upjohn 7000 Portage Road Kalamazoo, MI 49001

We certify that the facilities, methods, and controls used in the production of the Vaginal Suppository Applicator conform with Good Manufacturing Practices as specified In 21 CFR 820.

It is assumed the incorporation by reference does not constitute public disclosure and that confidentiality of the referenced material will be preserved.

Sincerely.



Office of: Carl M. De Juliis, MS, RPh Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

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June 3, 1999

Philip Colangelo, PhD
Food and Drug Administration
Division of Pharmaceutical Evaluation III (HFD-880)
Room 330
9201 Corporate Blvd
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule
(clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

Desk Copy: Review Aids

Dear Dr. Colangelo:

As requested on June 1 and 2, 1999, please find enclosed the following review aids:

1. A binder containing a desk copy of TR 7215-91-012

2. A binder containing a desk copy of TR 7227-95-004

3. A diskette containing file 721596047.wp5 (the body of TR 7215-96-047 in WordPerfect 5.2). This diskette has been scanned with VirusScan NTVersion 4.02 and is free of viruses.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this submission, please contact Carl M. DeJuliis (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh

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cc: Dr. Christina Chi (FDA)
Attachments

Phil Received all on 14/99.



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July 8, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590) Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room 9201 Corporate Boulevard Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule
(clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
Responses to Chemistry Questions
Dated June 5 and 21, 1999

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find appended our responses to the questions that Dr. Matecka raised concerning Clindamycin Phosphate Vaginal Suppository (NDA #50-767) in her memos dated June 5, 1999 and June 21, 1999.

Questions regarding the labeling for the use of the applicator, the labeling of the immediate container, and the functionality testing of the applicator will be provided in the near future. We are currently working on the responses to these questions and hope to provide those to you shortly.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal

suppository)

General Correspondence Responses to Chemistry Questions Dated June 5 and 21, 1999

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find appended our responses to the outstanding questions that Dr. Matecka raised concerning Clindamycin Phosphate Vaginal Suppository (NDA #50-767) in her memos dated June 5, 1999 and June 21, 1999. It is our belief, that this completes our responses to the chemistry questions. If this is not so, please let us know.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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July 20, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590) Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room 9201 Corporate Boulevard Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule

(clindamycin phosphate vaginal

\_\_suppository)

General Correspondence
Responses to July 19, 1999 Request

Dear Sir/Madam:

Per a July 19, 1999 telephone conversation with Dr. Christina Chi, attached please find the requested information regarding the interaction between the Cleocin Vaginal Ovule and latex or rubber vaginal products (ie: condoms diaphrams).

The attached Interofffice Memo describes the study conducted to assess this interaction. Brief results are summarized.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

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July 21, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590) Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room 9201 Corporate Boulevard Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule
(clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
DMF Authorization for the Vaginal
Suppository Applicator.

Dear Sir/Madam:

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In our original application dated October 13, 1998, we referenced as the file that contained information regarding the supplied vaginal suppository applicator. For this applicator is not the appropriate file. The information regarding the applicator is contained in Attached is the authorization for	<u>r,                                     </u>
If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-91 Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.	164.
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cc: Dr. Christina Chi



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July 26, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590) Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room 9201 Corporate Boulevard Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule
(clindamycin phosphate
vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
Request for Pediatric Waiver

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to 314.55(c) (2), Pharmacia and Upjohn wishes to request a full waiver of the pediatric study requirement for the Cleocin Vaginal Ovule NDA.

Bacterial vaginosis (BV) is a rare event in premenarchal females. Bacterial vaginosis is not listed as a distinct entity in the National Drug and Therapeutic Index of IMS database, however, bacterial vaginitis is. The total diagnosis of bacterial vaginitis from this office base/retail sector database for patients 16 and under was for the 5/98 to 5/99 period. We believe the majority of these cases represent postmenarchal females.

Given the prevalence of the disease and route of administration (vaginally) of the Cleocin Vaginal Ovule, it is unlikely that a substantial number of premenarchal females would use this medication. For postmenarchal females, we believe that adult clinical trial data can be extrapolated to demonstrate safety and effectiveness in this group.

NDA 50-767 Page 2

Based on the above information, we request a waiver of the pediatric study requirement.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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July 26, 1999

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic
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Document Control Room
9201 Corporate Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal

suppository)

General Correspondence
Geriatric Labeling Change

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to 21 CFR 201.57(f)(10)(ii)(A), Pharmacia and Upjohn wishes to revise the geriatric use section of our proposed label for Cleocin Vaginal Ovule NDA. We will replace the current wording with the following wording:

Clinical studies of Cleocin Vaginal Ovule did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger subjects. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients.

Modification (deletion of last sentence) of the standard text was required because it is not applicable for the present dosage form and therapy.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

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July 27, 1999

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RE: NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule

(clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
Carton Label Mock-up

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

As requested, please find enclosed two color mock-ups of the proposed Cleocin Vaginal Ovule carton labeling. On the front carton panel, the net quantity of content will be changed from 3 – 100 mg Suppositories to 3 Suppositories. On the back carton panel, the words "US Patent Number No. xxxxxxxx" will be deleted.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh

Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

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August 5, 1999

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9201 Corporate Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule
(clindamycin phosphate
vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
LABELING

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pharmacia and Upjohn (PNU) would like to submit the following items to NDA 50-767.

- Attachment 1: An August 2, 1999 E-mail from Carl M. DeJuliis, PNU, to Dr. Brad Leissa, FDA. This correspondence contains information regarding the number of subjects enrolled and the reporting of abnormal labor during PNU's pregnancy studies with the Cleocin Vaginal Cream.
- Attachment 2: An August 3, 1999 E-mail from Carl M. DeJuliis, PNU, to Dr. Brad Leissa, FDA. This correspondence contains information on the digital insertion of Cleocin Vaginal Ovules during pivotal clinical trials.
- Attachment 3: Proposed carton and foil labeling (actual size) for Cleocin Vaginal Ovules.

Attachments 1 and 2 were submitted previously to Dr. Brad Leissa, FDA, Medical Team Leader, electronically during label negotiations.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

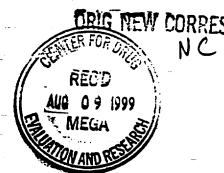
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**RE:** NDA 50-767

CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovule (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppository)

General Correspondence
Responses to Chemistry Questions
Dated July 20, 1999

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the July 28, 1999 and August 6, 1999 teleconferences between the FDA and Pharmacia and Upjohn, please find appended our responses to the outstanding questions that Dr. Matecka raised concerning Clindamycin Phosphate Vaginal Suppository (NDA #50-767) in her fax dated July 20, 1999. It is our belief, that this completes our responses to the chemistry questions. If this is not so, please let us know.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

Carl M. DeJuliis, MS, RPh

Regulatory Manager Regulatory Affairs

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Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

Date:

August 11, 1999

To:

Pharmacia & Upjohn

Att: Carl M. DeJuliis

From:

Dorota Matecka, Ph.D., Chemistry Reviewer

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products, HFD-590

Through:

Norman R. Schmuff, Ph.D., Chemistry Team Leader

Division of Special Pathogens and Immunologic Drug Products, HFD-590

Re:

NDA 50-767 (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppositories)

Please address the following comment regarding the labeling for NDA 50-767:

1. Please increase the prominence of the established name in all parts of labeling, including the carton, physician package insert and suppository shell. In order to expedite our action on this application, consider proposing three alternate presentations, in which the established name has a prominence commensurate with the prominence of the proprietary name.

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August 12, 1999

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9201 Corporate Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850

RE: NDA 50-767
CLEOCIN® Vaginal Ovules
(clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppositories)

General Correspondence Labeling

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

In a fax dated August 11, 1999, Dr. Matecka, Chemistry Reviewer, requested that the prominence of the established name on the carton, physician package insert and the foil (immediate container) be increased. In response her fax, please find enclosed labeling in which the size of the established name has been increased from the recommended 50% to at least 60 % of the proprietary name for all pieces.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Carl DeJuliis at (616) 833-9164. Please send correspondence addressed to Unit 0635-298-113.

Sincerely,

PHARMACIA & UPJOHN COMPANY

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Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

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RE: NDA #50-767

Cleocin Vaginal Ovules (clindamycin phosphate vaginal suppositories)
MACMIS ID #8388

Dear Ms. Freeman:

Reference is made to Pharmacia & Upjohn's (P&U) October 15, 1999, letter requesting comments on proposed promotional launch materials for Cleocin Vaginal Ovules. This submission consisted of the following promotional pieces:

- Sales Aid UX00762.00
- Physician Announcement Letter UD00764.00
- Patient/User Brochure UX00808.00

The Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (DDMAC) has reviewed the submission and offers the following comments. Our comments regarding a specific claim or presentation should be applied to all similar claims or presentations throughout all current and future promotional materials for Cleocin Vaginal Ovules.

#### Sales Aid

Indication

We note that the information regarding Cleocin Vaginal Ovules' indication is not presented with adequate prominence and readability. The indication is presented

as a small footnote at the bottom of page 2 of the sales aid that makes it difficult to see or read, and minimizes the importance of the information conveyed. This is important information regarding the appropriate use of the product and should be prominently presented in the body of the sales aid. Therefore, we recommend that you revise the sales aid to increase the prominence and readability of the indication information currently presented as a footnote.

#### **Risk Information**

The proposed sales aid would be lacking in fair balance or otherwise misleading because certain risk information is not presented in a manner that is reasonable comparable with the presentation of promotional messages for the drug. Promotional materials must present information relating to contraindications, warnings, precautions, and side effects with a prominence and readability reasonable comparable with the presentation of promotional messages for the drug. Although you present the adverse events profile for Cleocin Vaginal Ovules with a prominence reasonably comparable to promotional claims for the drug, the information regarding the contraindications, warnings, and precautions associated with the use of this product is presented with less prominence, diminishing the importance of the information conveyed. Specifically, the information regarding Cleocin Vaginal Ovules favorable safety profile, e.g., low discontinuation rates and low incidence of local adverse events, is presented in large, bold print in bullet format. Conversely, information regarding the product's contraindications and warnings is presented in small type in paragraph format under the larger favorable safety profile presentation. Additionally, the precaution information regarding the use of this product to treat pregnant women is presented in even smaller type at the bottom of the last page of the sales aid. Therefore, we recommend that you revise the sales aid to present all of the fair balance information with a prominence reasonable comparable to the presentation of promotional messages/claims for Cleocin Vaginal Ovules.

We also recommend that you include the following information to complete the presentation of Cleocin Vaginal Ovules' safety profile:

- Patients should not engage in vaginal intercourse or use other vaginal products (e.g., tampons, or douches) during treatment with this product; and
- Latex or rubber products such as condoms or vaginal contraceptive diaphragms should not be used within 72 hours following treatment with Cleocin Vaginal Ovules because the base of the medication may weaken these latex products.

## Physician Announcement Letter

We refer you to the sales aid section for our comments regarding similar claims/presentations in the physician announcement letter. We have no further comments at this time.

#### Patient/User Brochure

"Bacterial vaginosis (BV) is the most common type of vaginal infection."

To more accurately describe the condition, the prevalence, and the patient population in which this condition occurs, we recommend that you revise the above statement to, for example, "Bacterial vaginosis (BV) is the most common cause of vaginitis in women of childbearing age."

"BV has been linked to other health problems. BV may also make you more likely to get other infections."

The above statements are very broad and fail to provide a context that explains the relationship between BV and "other health problems" or "infections." Therefore, we recommend that you revise the above statements to explain this relationship.

"Cleocin Vaginal Ovules are a new, prescription-only, 3-day treatment option for nonpregnant women with BV."

The patient/user brochure would be misleading because the statement regarding the indication is incomplete. Specifically, the brochure fails to include the "Note" information. The "Note" information defines the basis for the diagnosis of BV and explains the need to rule out other organisms that cause vaginal infections. The "Note" is an integral part of the indication for the appropriate use of Cleocin Vaginal Ovules and must be expressed as part of the indication. Therefore, we recommend that all presentations of Cleocin Vaginal Ovules' indication prominently include the "Note" information in the body of the presentation.

"The most common side effects are vaginitis and vaginal yeast infection."

To ensure that consumers understand the terms "vaginitis" and "vaginal yeast infection," we recommend that you provide context that explains these terms in consumer friendly language. The contextual disclaimer should also explain the signs or symptoms associated with the referenced conditions, e.g., vaginal pain, etc.

"However, as with other medications, side effects may occur."

The above statement would be misleading because it diminishes the message about the specific side effects associated with using Cleocin Vaginal Ovules. Therefore, we recommend that you delete the above phrase "as with other medications."

## Consumer Friendly Language

We recommend that you simplify the language in the brochure so consumers can easily understand the meaning of the messages conveyed.

For example, we offer the following suggestions (suggestions are not comprehensive of the entire brochure):

Current Word		Suggested Changes	,
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Vaginitis Inflammation of the vagina

Rectum Anus
Medications Medicines
Consecutive In a row
Persistent Continuing

Vaginal intercourse Vaginal intercourse (sex)

We recommend that you review the remainder of the brochure with the goal of simplifying its language.

#### Additional Recommendations:

Include the following section after the instructions for use:

#### Can I use tampons to prevent Cleocin from leaking out?

Do not use tampons while you are using Cleocin Vaginal Ovules. Tampons may remove some of the medicine from the vagina. You may use deodorant-free sanitary napkins or pads instead.

- Explain or describe, in consumer friendly language, the following medical conditions: regional enteritis, ulcerative colitis, and "antibiotic-associated" colitis.
- Include the information that patients should not rely on condoms and diaphragms to prevent pregnancy or sexually transmitted diseases while using Cleocin Vaginal Ovules.

Add a nursing section after the pregnancy section, as follows:

## Can I use Cleocin Vaginal Ovules if I am nursing a baby?

It is not known if Cleocin, administered vaginally, is passed to the nursing baby through the milk. Therefore, if you are nursing a baby, talk with your healthcare provider to decide if you should stop nursing or stop using Cleocin Vaginal Ovules.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the undersigned by facsimile at (301) 594-6771, or at the Food and Drug Administration, Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-42, Rm 17B-20, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

DDMAC reminds you that only written communications are considered official. In all future correspondence regarding this particular matter, please refer to MACMIS ID # 8388 in addition to the NDA number.

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